## Remarks

Claim 13 has been canceled without prejudice to the filing of continuing applications.

Claims 2 and 12 have been amended to more distinctly claim what Applicants regard as the invention. Accordingly, rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is also advised that claims 15 and 17 remain in the application, and not just claims 1-6 and 9-14 as noted in the Office Action. Applicants ask for acknowledgement of the same.

Allowance of claims and passage of the application to issue are respectfully solicited. Applicants urge the Examiner to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative as (312) 913-0001 if the Examiner believes that this would expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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